Log Cabin
Upper Will, Burlington County, New Jersey

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Owner: Mr. H. M. Black, Jobstown

Date of Erection: 1720

Architect:

Builder: Peter Bard

Present Condition: Exterior intact, roof new, frame

wing was added in 1810

Number of Stories: One

Materials of Construction: Walls of white cedar logs; the roof is of cedar shingles of present day type.

Historical Data:

The Log Cabin is a good example of the type of home built by the earlier settlers in the pine belt of New Jersey. The walls are of white cedar taken from the neighboring swamp. The roof which is unchanged in contour was originally covered with white cedar slabs six inches wide and three feet long laid shingle-wise; this has been replaced by modern cedar shingles. The cabin had a floor and upstairs both of which have been removed.

A frame house adjoins the log house; this was built in 1810. The hardware in both this house and the cabin is of the type used during the eighteenth century and is not unusual. There is, however, a very

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interesting wooden hinge of hickory, very delicate in form but of great strength. It is still in use on the door between the cabin and the frame house.

At present the cabin is used as a storage house for cranberries during that season.

Bibliography:

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